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For: NON-AQUEOUS SECONDARY BATTERY HAVING NEGATIVE
ELECTRODE INCLUDING GRAPHITE POWDER

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97 & 1.98

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Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find a List, on a form substantially equivalent to Form PTO-I449, of documents cited in connection with at least one prior application of the above-identified application, that is, at least one of prior Application No. 09/897,613, filed July 3, 2001, prior Application No. 09/473,300, filed December 28, 1999, and prior Application No. 08/630,501, filed April 10, 1996.

Since the listed documents were cited in connection with prior Application No. 09/873,613, No. 09/473,300 and No. 08/630,501, being relied upon under 35 USC 120 in the present application, copies of the listed documents are not enclosed. See 37 CFR 1.98(d).

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted concurrently with the filing of the above-identified application. Accordingly, requirements of 37 CFR §1.97(b) are clearly satisfied.

In view of all of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with the documents on the enclosed List. Accordingly, consideration of the documents on the enclosed List, upon examination of the above- identified application, is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 503.34465VV7) and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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